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AFTER FINAL RESPONSE

Honorable Commissioner of Patents
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Dear Sir:

The Official Action mailed October 5, 2005, has been received and its contents carefully noted. This response is filed within three months of the mailing date of the Official Action and therefore is believed to be timely without extension of time. Accordingly, the Applicants respectfully submit that this response is being timely filed.

The Applicants note with appreciation the consideration of the Information Disclosure Statement filed on June 27, 2003.

Claims 1-43 are pending in the present application prior to the above amendment, of which claims 1-4, 13, 19, 28 and 29 are independent. Claims 2, 4, 6, 8, 10, 12, 25 and 27 have been withdrawn from consideration by the Examiner (page 2, Paper No. 0305). Accordingly, claims 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 11, 13-24, 26 and 28-43 are currently elected, of which claims 1, 3, 13, 19, 28 and 29 are independent. For the reasons set forth in detail below, all claims are believed to be in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration is requested.

In response to a request in the Official Action, the Applicants will correct any errors in the specification of which the Applicants become aware.